

## **RESOLUTION No. 12-394**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama are apprised that a distinguished citizen, Reverend Dr. Theodis "Ted" Acklin, will be honored with the "Alumnus of the Year Award" during the Eleventh Annual Leadership Awards Program sponsored by the Huntsville Progressive Alumni Chapter, Inc., of the Alabama A&M University Alumni Association, Inc., held at the Ernest L. Knight Reception Center on the beautiful campus of Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University on June 2, 2012; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Theodis Acklin is a life resident of Huntsville, Alabama. He received a four-year academic scholarship to attend Alabama A&M University, from which he graduated cum laude in 1973. Dr. Acklin pursued post-graduate studies at AAMU with concentration in psychology and guidance. A member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., earned four (4) theological degrees with a Doctorate of Ministry degree from Andersonville Theological Seminary; and is a recipient of an honorary Doctorate of Divinity degree from Eastern North Carolina Theological Seminary; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Acklin served the U.S. Army Missile & Aviation Command for 34 years before retiring in 2004. He is a recipient of the U.S. Army Missile & Aviation Command Commander's Award for recruitment of blacks and women that corrected underrepresentation of minorities and women within the MICOM workforce. Dr. Acklin, during his tenure as a recruiter at Redstone Arsenal, hired many AAMU graduates via the AAMU Placement Office. Many of these recruits are experiencing lucrative careers as a result of Dr. Acklin's efforts; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Acklin is a member of the National Alliance of Businessmen, Washington, D.C. He has served on task forces at AAMU via the National Alliance of Businessmen. He is a member of the Huntsville Progressive Alumni Chapter of AAMU, where he serves as chaplain and parliamentarian; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Acklin has six sons: Nicholas Acklin, Reverend Dr. Frederick Acklin, Steven Acklin, Evangelist Travis Acklin of T-ACK Music Industries, Thaddeus Acklin, and Eric Acklin; and he has 11 grandchildren.

**WHEREAS**, Reverend D. Theodis Acklin has served as pastor of the Briar Fork CPCA, Huntsville, Alabama, for the past 21 years. He is currently serving as a professor within the Cumberland Presbyterian Church School of Continuing Education, teaching theology courses. He loves the Lord and God's people. He has a passion for the lost and for children.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge and congratulate Reverend Dr. Theodis Acklin, 2012 "*Alumnus of the Year Award*" Honoree, and extend best wishes to him and the Huntsville Progressive Alumni Chapter, Inc., of the Alabama A&M University Alumni Association, Inc., for continued success in all future endeavors.

ADOPTED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

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President of the City Council  
of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville,  
Alabama